

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, the applicant elects, without traverse, Invention II (Method Claims 38 and 40 to 44).

Claim 38 has been amended by incorporating the subject matter of claim 2, to present claim 38 as the sole independent method claim.

Claims 2 to 7; 21; 23; 31; and 45 to 48 have been canceled as being directed to a non-elected invention. Claims 1; 8 to 20; 22; 24 to 30; 32 to 37; and 39 have been previously canceled.

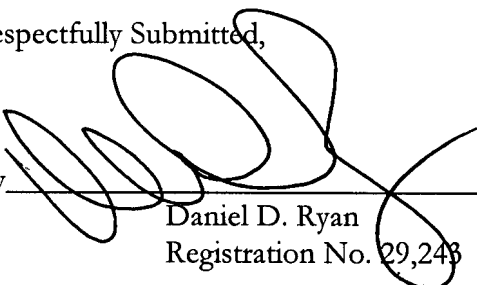
Claims 38 and 40 to 44 remain in the application.

The applicant believes that the following claims are readable upon the elected invention: 38 and 40 to 44.

As expressed during a previous interview, if the Examiner believes that questions or matters of clarification remain, applicant believes that such matters can be handled expeditiously by an interview by telephone to advance prosecution of this case, and the applicant remains committed to proceed on that basis.

Respectfully Submitted,

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